



**MAIL STOP
AMENDMENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: S.M. Testa et al. Attorney Docket No.: GERC117991
Application No.: 09/936,146 Group Art Unit: 1637
Filed: February 11, 2002 Examiner: J. Riley
Title: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR INHIBITION OF RNA SPLICING

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER/
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

November 23, 2004

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Non-Final Office Action in the above-identified application.

X No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	19	-	22	=	0	x	18	=	0
Independent Claims	4	-	4	=	0	x	88	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated June 23, 2004, set to expire on September 23, 2004, be extended by 2 months, to expire on November 23, 2004. The enclosed check includes the 2-month extension fee of \$430.00.

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C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 159634 in the amount of \$430.00 to cover the extension of time fee.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the below date.

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